

Shakopee Weekly Argus.

BY HENRY HINDS.

A BILL is before congress to authorize the secretary of the treasury to prepay interest on the national debt for a period less than a year, with a rebate at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

We do not like such a law. Better use the surplus money in the treasury to pay off the principal of the debt, and thus stop the interest.

The Winona Republican says the engineers engaged on the Eastern Connection have found some very pure specimens of lead ore at a place known as Indian Point, some five miles below that city.

It was first seen in a streak or layer of gravel running down from the bluff, and it is thought that the ore exists there in considerable quantities.

A Washington telegram states that the First National Bank of Rockford, Ill., has failed. A receiver has been appointed. Assets \$20.

Gov. Marshall has received from Washington, a patent for the State of 53,845 acres of swamp lands, lying in the Winnebago City Land District. This patent was approved about four years ago but, for some reason, could not be put into effect until last Saturday.

The Sugar Insect. Raw sugar should never be used for domestic purposes, because it contains organic impurities, and more especially immense numbers of disgusting-looking insects, termed the "sugar insect."—One to be particularly present in raw or unrefined sugar.

No one, indeed, who has seen the filth and gross impurities extracted from the raw sugar in a refinery, could ever after use anything but the refined article. Pure sugar is, indeed, almost as desirable an article of food as pure water, and all should be anxious to substitute the refined for the raw material. Bad water and raw sugar are found in animalcules and vegetable impurities; but pure water and refined sugar are free from such.

Dr. Bowditch, in one of his articles on consumption in America, advises consumers to keep away from cities on the Western lakes. The Chicago Times says Dr. Bowditch is right, and that Chicago is about as unfavorable as any locality in the world, and that the best remedy is to leave the city, and go to the shore, and there should remain away. They could not run to place more favorable for their health than to Minnesota.

The St. Peter Advertiser says there is no doubt that more buildings will be constructed in that place in 1893 than in any former year.

The sum realized at the festival on St. Patrick's night, at Ingersoll's Hall for the benefit of the Cathedral School, amounted to about \$500.

The shoe manufacturer at St. Peter, furnishes fifty pairs of shoes per day, and this capacity will be increased as soon as experienced help can be engaged. The shoe manufacturer at Minnesota during every respect to those offered by Eastern manufacturers.

The Minneapolis Tribune says that the prospects are that at least 100,000,000 feet of logs will be cut this winter.

The following geographical error, shows the vast importance of the comma. At a banquet this week was given: "Woman—without her man, is a brute."

The tide of emigration is already setting in towards the west. The indications are, from all sources, that we will have a very large immigration to Minnesota during the approaching season.

A widow in St. Paul recently cut out her own daughter in the graces of her lover and married him herself. To obtain revenge for the man's unfaithfulness, she carried her daughter off to the young man's rich father, of whom he was the heir, to the infinite annoyance of her step father.

The State Agricultural Society resolved to hold the next fair at Rochester.

A Southern editor is bitterly opposed to the education of negroes, as suggested by Snodgrass, he says, a gentleman was put under the influence of chloroform by such a distress—what is to prevent the woman from kissing him?

How to Improve our Sanitary Condition.—A great cause of disease is improper food and hurried eating. In order fully to understand how to eat and how to conduct ourselves after eating, it is necessary that we should be acquainted, in some measure, with the process of nutrition.

Many persons tumble their food precipitately into their mouths and swallow it without mastication, contrary to the laws of nature. Food should undergo thorough mastication and salivation before it enters the duodenum and becomes mixed with the bile and pancreatic juices. This bile is secreted by the liver. The chyme having undergone the changes, is converted to a mass, by the peristaltic motion of the intestines, onward through the alimentary canal. If the peristaltic motion be diminished, owing to the deficiency of bile, the progress of digestion is retarded and the bowels become constipated and dyspepsia often follows. In such cases a thorough and active cathartic should be used to produce specific action, arousing the secretions and producing free bilious excretions. The best medicine for this purpose is Dr. Roback's Blue Pills, the use of which should be followed by Roback's Stomach Bitters, to give tone to the stomach and aid digestion.

D. L. HOW, Agent.

HASTINGS & DAKOTA RAILWAY

On and after Monday, February 22nd, 1893, Trains on the Hastings & Dakota Railway will run as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Stations and Times. Rows include Hastings, St. Paul, and other stations with corresponding departure and arrival times.

Going West. A. M. P. M. Hastings, 6:15, 10:30, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30. St. Paul, 7:00, 11:15, 2:15, 5:15, 8:15, 11:15.

Going East. Hastings, 6:00, 9:00, 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 9:00. St. Paul, 6:45, 9:45, 12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 9:45.

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To the Editor of the Argus:—

Certain parties seem extremely anxious to cast odium upon the County Board, for their action in relation to abatement of taxes, equal to the sixty per cent upon personal property not enumerated, and even go so far as to try to create the impression that there was no concurrent resolution in relation thereto passed by the Legislature. The facts in the case are simply these: When the action of the State Board—in adding 60 per cent to the valuation of all classes of property—was investigated, it was found that, with the exception of the personal property not enumerated, the valuation was not greater than last year, and in fact most of the live stock is not as high even with the 60 per cent added; as the State Auditor's report shows that the average value of horses in 1887 was \$75.22, while in 1888 it was but \$65.00; and that of cattle in 1887 was \$18.24 while in 1888 it was but \$16.00. But with personal property not enumerated it was different.

The facts show that while—as is well known to all of us—the actual amount of property, appertaining to merchandise, has very materially decreased, by parties failing, going out of business, &c.; the action of the State Board did not effect that class of property equally with the rest; for while the total valuation of property appertaining to merchandise was in 1887 but \$47,000, it was by the State Board increased to the excessive sum of \$79,251. And as it was with other personal property not enumerated, such as grain, household furniture, &c., &c., which amounts in value, in the aggregate, to about \$150,000 over and above merchandise; which fact will show that the action of the County Board did not benefit the merchants alone, and it is due to this class of our fellow-citizens, the farmers, and others, should know this.

When these facts became known petitions were prepared, and signed by several hundred of the citizens of our county, embracing residents in every township, and asking relief from the Legislature as to the unenumerated personal property and the same were forwarded to our member, Mr. MacDonald, by whom they were presented to that body; and, as in duty bound, he labored to secure the relief asked for in the petitions. The matter was referred to the committee on taxes, who upon consultation with the State Auditor, and with that officer's advice and consent, introduced the concurrent resolution, a copy of which was laid before our County Board—and the same passed the House and Senate, and is now upon the journal of both branches of the Legislature. As the resolution did not, and was not intended, to confer any more authority on the County Board than they possessed by statute,—but simply to direct them and give the State Auditor authority to determine for the amount of the abatement of the State tax, it was not introduced as a separate file, and therefore did not require the signature of the Governor, and is not there fore filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

This action of the County Board has injured no one. By the addition of 60 per cent to this class of property, the county was required to pay about \$2200 more than it ought, and that has been abated, without requiring others to pay it, or make it up; for without this the county will realize all the revenue which the Board expected, when they levied the taxes at their meeting in September, as it was not supposed by them that any such sum in addition, as that of 60 per cent, would have been made by the State Board. In this matter Mr. MacDonald and the County Board done nothing but what the aforesaid large number of petitioners asked for, and the Legislature decided, as Abraham Lincoln said, "nobody is hurt."

Tax Payers.

Book Notice.

A VERY VALUABLE BOOK.
We always take pleasure in recommending a book which has all the qualities that meet the eye of a good book, and which, in which the subject is one of interest and importance, the style attractive and pleasing, and the illustrations and details full and complete. We find such a book in the "People's Edition of Confessions and Howson's Life and Epistles of Saint Paul," just published in this country by JONES, JUNKIN & CO., of Chicago, Ills.

This work has all the attractiveness of fiction, in its exciting events of the narrative, with the certainty that they are the truthful records of well authenticated facts, embracing graphic and eloquent definitions of the early life, education, conversion, teachings, labors, travels, sufferings, perils, persecutions and missionary career of the great Apostle. It stands alone and unapproachable in its speciality; all that could be desired in a work of history, statement, comment, criticism, and illustration, relating to the vital subject of which it treats.—The great learning and power, and beauty of style, do not constitute its highest praise. This is found in its moral and religious spirit, in its preeminent Christian candor and impartiality, in its solemn earnestness for historic truth, its manly and unswerving faith in the doctrines proclaimed by the fearless subject of its biography, all combining to make it one of the grandest monuments of sanctified intellect and learning ever reared to the honor of Sacred Truth.

After having seen such an array of great names, giving their names to the generations of a book, as we find in the publishers' circular; names of men whose religious and personal character and position, make them exceedingly worthy of their end; and whose names are not only a high standard of excellence, or that does not meet with their heavy approval.

This reprint will be more highly prized than any other, as it is the only Complete Edition published in this country with translated notes.

It has in addition an able and exceedingly valuable dissertation by Dr. Leonard Bacon,

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Maple Sugar and syrup of superior quality, has been abundant in this market for a week or two past. From all we can learn the present has an extraordinary good season, and the yield in this vicinity much larger than usual. Best sugar has been at 25 cents a pound, and syrup at \$1.50 a gallon. Cheap enough considering the prices of other articles in this line.

The First Boat—The Sucker State—the first boat—reached St. Paul, from the lower Mississippi on Monday evening April 15th. She had on board the 20th United States Infantry. The War Eagle reached St. Paul soon afterwards.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

INTERNAL REVENUE NOTICE.

Office of Collector of Internal Revenue, First District, New York.

Public Notice is hereby given, that the Annual Duty on Goods Imported from the United States into the United States, and the several Acts amendatory thereof, are now due and payable, at the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, at New York, on or before the 1st day of May, 1899. The duty on goods imported from the United States into the United States, and the several Acts amendatory thereof, are now due and payable, at the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, at New York, on or before the 1st day of May, 1899.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I will conduct a public examination of the books of the County of St. Paul, on or before the 1st day of May, 1899, at the office of the County Superintendent, at St. Paul, on or before the 1st day of May, 1899.

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District Court.

This court commenced its Spring term on Monday, Hon. N. M. Donaldson presiding. Mr. Mayer clerk, J. W. Sencerbox deputy, and Jacob Thomas sheriff.

In the morning the trial calendar was called and it was found that there would be some five or six cases for trial by jury and a large number of motions and questions of law for the decision of the court. Application was made to vacate three townships, Overton and Cox's addition to Shakopee, and a part of the addition to Belle Plaine.

In the afternoon the Grand Jury was called and charged by the court and Hon. N. M. D. McMullen was appointed foreman.

The following gentlemen were sworn as Grand Jurors:

Stephen Stephens, Mich. Nee, Edward N. M. D. McMullen, Jos. Bertholet, Dennis Mahoney, David Brown, J. J. Ring, Thos. M. Pitman, John Suel, Philip Knaul, seimer, Mich. Nelson, Otto Seifert, Geo. F. Collier, Mich. Lay, John Schwartz, Bernard Koley, M. Hess Damm.

The following named gentlemen appeared and answered to their names as Petit Jurors:

Roderick O'Dowd, Ross Robinson, Geo. P. Lyons, Frank H. Krantz, Christopher Henry, George Daily, Herman Metz, Joseph Ritz, Lawrence Carr, John Knaul, Gottlieb Erming, Peter Yost, James B. Sly, Math Schumacker, Philip Corbel, Benj. Bliss, George F. Fuller, Math. Neisius, John Quinn, Wm. A. Fuller, Math. Neisius.

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At the request of defendant's counsel, this court charged the jury in substance, that the plaintiff was bound by all the terms of the contract as made by the agent and by any payment made to the agent under and pursuant to the terms of the contract if made without notice that the agent had no actual title in the goods.

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SHAKOPEE ARGUS

BY HENRY HINDS
THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 1899.

DISTRICT COURT.

Since our last report the following cases have been disposed of:

On Wednesday the case of *Anthony Dugan*, against the *Minnesota R. R. Co.*, was called. This case was brought by the plaintiff to recover damages for the trespass of the defendant in building a railroad over his land. The following named gentlemen were sworn to try the case:

Roderick O'Dowd, George Lyons, John Knier, H. Metz, Joseph Hing, M. Neisius, Joseph Thornton, James McKown, Casper Houghton, C. W. McMinde, H. H. Spencer, Geo. F. Collier. The last, where the damages by the construction of a railroad was committed, is situated near Blakely, and on Thursday the jury accompanied by the counsel in the case, took the cars to go to Blakely to view the damages alleged to have been committed, and returned on a special train on Thursday afternoon. The examination of witnesses continued until Friday noon, when the argument of the counsel and the instructions of the court were given to the jury. The jury retired about four o'clock to consider their verdict and were out until after midnight. Having agreed their verdict was sealed up and returned to the court in the morning, whereby they found damages for the plaintiff in the sum of \$220. L. M. Brown and E. Whitlock for plaintiff, and Chaffield and Irwin for the defendant.

While the jury were absent on the case of the railroad the court took the case of *Jacob Hoffer* against *E. G. Halle*. The plaintiff recovered judgment in the Justice Court for a balance of \$19.50 for rent. He appealed to the District Court. In this Court the plaintiff recovered only \$5.50, which being less than half the recovery in the Justice Court, leaves the plaintiff to pay his own and defendant's costs. J. H. Brown for plaintiff and Henry Hinds for the defendant.

The great case of the State of Minnesota against John Sichen, Wenzel Kaluszky, Joseph Waback, Sen., and others, was for an alleged assault and battery upon a school teacher at Oral. The case was held a couple of days ago and the jury failed to agree. The county attorney abandoned the case and had it dismissed.

J. H. Brown, county attorney, for state, and Henry Hinds for the defendants.

The case of the State of Minnesota against John Connolly, was for alleged malicious trespass in cutting down one hickory tree of the value of one dollar, the property of John Geary. A trial was had in a Justice Court and the defendant admitted the cutting of one tree, but alleged that it was not a hickory tree at all but on the contrary that it was a dry iron wood and justified the cutting. But he was convicted in the Justice Court and fined \$30.00 and costs though he produced a chip of the tree showing that it was ironwood. The defendant took his appeal to the district court and had witnesses go and secure the tree to bring into court as evidence that he did not cut a hickory tree. Being thus prepared for the defense, the county attorney concluded that the state could do without the \$30.00 fine and stated to the court that the complainant had abandoned the case and therefore it was dismissed at the cost of the county.

J. H. Brown, county attorney for the state, and Henry Hinds for the defendant.

On Saturday the case of *Deborah Farley* against *Thomas M. Pittman* was called up, and the following named gentlemen were sworn as a jury to try the case:

Rose Robinson, Joseph Hing, Peter Yost, Joseph Thornton, Peter Rademacher, Geo. Lyons, Roderick O'Dowd, Chris Henry, Lawrence Carr, C. W. McMinde, Doug. Blais. The plaintiff claims one hundred dollars compensation for her services as hired help in the family of the defendant. The defendant claims the plaintiff was not a hired servant, but a member of his family, and that such services as she did render were done merely in satisfaction of her board, clothing and care, and not under a contract either express or implied, requiring any compensation except such as her board, clothing and care while in sickness or health required.

The cause was given to the jury under the instruction of the court early in the afternoon, and they remained out until about ten o'clock in the evening and reported to the court that they were unable to agree, and were discharged.

P. J. Whitlock and J. H. Brown for plaintiff, and L. M. Brown for defendant.

The petit jury was discharged from any further attendance on the court.

On Monday the appeal case by the Co. Attorney from the decision by the county commissioners of *Albion Thomas* sheriff's fee bill, came up and by consent of the parties was tried by the court. The defendant withdrew his counter claim, and the controversy turned mainly on the question of an allowance of \$4.00 for use of team in bringing a prisoner arrested under a justice warrant, to court. It appeared from the evidence that when the arrest was made that the prisoner did not ride in with the sheriff, but was allowed to come in the next day under his parole.

The court held that as the sheriff did not in fact use the team to bring the prisoner in, he was not entitled to pay for the same. The court reported a judgment in favor of the plaintiff for \$24.00. Henry Hinds for plaintiff and County Attorney for defendant.

An appeal case taken by the County Attorney from the decision of the county commissioners allowing a printing bill of *Henry Hinds*, was taken up, and the County Attorney stated that the same be referred to the referee provided it could be

referred to five of the largest tax payers of the county. To this the county attorney would not consent. The case was then referred to J. L. MacDonald to try the same and report a verdict.

Various motions in many different cases, and appeals from the taxation of costs by the clerk were heard and decided by the court but of which are of no special importance. At ten o'clock in the evening the court adjourned without day.

The Alabama Claims.

The Washington correspondent of the *Tribune* says the best diplomatists at the capital look upon the Alabama negotiation as an even bet. The British minister takes the same view, it is said, and there can be little doubt of it. Mr. Sherman does not expect the British government will offer a new treaty at present. Such a situation is a solid and a safe one for us. We do not care for money damages out of England but we can say to her "Unless you admit that the cause of your government in permitting the Alabama to escape was wrong and unless you pay satisfactory damages therefor, then we will reserve the precedent and act accordingly when you are at war." We can afford to wait but England cannot and she is uneasy over the situation. It is evident from many reasons. It can be seen in the eagerness with which the British Journals follow the subject, and the anxiety of the British government to be rid of the controversy. But the Gladstone administration will dare to accept to our terms at present lest it shall render it too unpopular at home. We need simply to bide our time, and we do not want any drunken Chancellors to precipitate premature hostilities.

LOTH ALARMS.—Clearly the feelings of the nation is that if our Alabama dispute goes to the war point the people are ready, to repudiate it, or better still, we may pay it more easily after such a war than now; for the ocean is ours. Every sea will team with privateers, and English commerce will disappear. In that very fact will lay for us an incalculable wealth. At the same time we would have some benefits at home, and these incline us to hope that the war feeling may run high. Our jobbers will be so eager in their hunt for contracts that Whiskey rings may be broken. —N. Y. Herald.

WANTER.—The Dispatch says that reading the future by the past, it is fair to presume that the following advertisement will be issued during the coming campaign:

WANTER.—A man to run as a holding candidate against the regular Republican nominee for Governor, in order to elect the Democratic candidate. Five thousand dollars cash will be paid, and if successful in giving the state to the Democracy, a sum of one hundred thousand dollars in foreign private worth at least \$7,500 in gold per annum will be added. Applicants will please state qualifications, but preference will be given to a brainless nincompoop. Apply to *ALEXANDER RAMSEY*, at the St. Paul Press office.

A rough census of the United States for 1898, shows an increase of population that could scarcely be expected, considering the prodigious drawback of the war which covered nearly half of the present decade. When the population in 1890 was shown to be 31,443,210, it was estimated according to a ratio of increase ascertained from former decades, that the population in 1870 would reach 42,228,432. The population at present is 33,422,935, and but for the war, the number of inhabitants in 1870 would doubtless have largely exceeded the estimate made. From 1860 to 1895 the increase was over three millions. In the three years, however, since the close of the war from 1895 to 1898 the increase has been in round numbers one million. It will be seen that notwithstanding the war, the population will reach nearly the estimated number for 1870.

The number of people who have lived upon the earth since the creation, has been estimated at 27,000,000,000,000,000. This when divided by 27,540, the number of square miles, gives 1,344,522,086 to a square mile 5 to a square foot. Suppose a square rod capable of being divided into 160 acres, each acre would contain 109 persons; so that the whole earth has been dug over one hundred times to bury its inhabitants supposing that they had been equally distributed. Were the bodies laid upon the surface they would cover the land to the depth of one hundred feet.

There are now sixty-six vessels on route to Great Britain from San Francisco with cargoes aggregating 1,000,000 sacks of wheat besides eight vessels for domestic Atlantic ports with 160,000 sacks of wheat, and ten vessels for Rio Janeiro with 5,000 barrels of flour. The California flour and wheat now afloat for China and other countries 2,100,000 sacks of wheat, valued at \$4,000,000.

Admiral Porter, who ought to be pretty good authority, says the much vaunted superiority of our iron-clad navy is a sham and delusion. He says that our squadrons at all the stations are at the mercy of one or two such iron-clads as are found in the event of hostilities, we may settle our difficulties by diplomacy. In conclusion he says: "We can at least take our revenge by distancing our rival in commercial enterprise and snatching from England the prize which she has gained her glory and strength. Let us husband our resources, build up an army and a navy, and then our motto may be, *Venno me impune laesit*."

The Rev. E. D. Neill, formerly of this state, has been appointed Consul to Dublin, Ireland.

The value of real estate that changed hands in Dodge County, Minnesota for the year 1898 as shown by the records in the Register's office was \$40,074.

There were 27,000 barrels of flour shipped on the Central road, from Minneapolis, during the month of March.

Senator Carl Schurz, of Missouri, has received over 7,000 applications for office, a third of which are from constituents and three of which are from constituents and three of which are from constituents.

LOCAL ITEMS.

SAINT PAUL & SIOUX CITY RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

UPWARD TRAINS.			
Leave St. Paul.	7:45 A. M.	8:45 P. M.	
Arrive Mendota.	8:10		9:10
Arrive Shakopee.	8:20		9:20
Arrive Meridian.	8:32		9:33
Arrive Brentwood.	13:10		5:11
Leave Blue Plains.	11:55		6:51
Arrive Shakopee.	12:10		6:57
Arrive East Henderson.	11:5		6:50
Arrive Le Sueur.	1:40		7:18
Arrive Ottawa.	2:10		7:30
Arrive Mendota.	2:20		7:38
Arrive Mankato.	8:45		8:39
DOWNWARD TRAINS.			
Leave St. Paul.	6:30 A. M.	6:50 P. M.	
Arrive Mendota.	7:00		8:55
Arrive Ottawa.	7:22		9:10
Arrive Le Sueur.	7:40		10:25
Arrive East Henderson.	7:55		11:30
Arrive Brentwood.	8:10		12:40
Arrive Blue Plains.	8:28		1:25
Arrive Brentwood.	8:51		1:30
Arrive Shakopee.	9:10		2:00
Arrive Shakopee.	9:10		2:00
Arrive Mendota.	10:30		3:55
Arrive St. Paul.	11:10		4:30

